REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action, the Examiner required an election of a single disclosed species, wherein the elected species is defined in terms of the variables of the formula of claim 1.

In response, Applicants herby elect the species comprising the formula of claim 1:

$$R_1$$
 R_2
 R_4
 R_5
 R_6

wherein

 R_1 is a substituted straight chained C_{1-12} alkyl where at least one of the substituents is a substituted or unsubstituted 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8 membered ring;

 R_2 is H;

R₃ is a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group;

 R_4 is a substituted or unsubstituted straight chain C_{1-12} alkyl;

R₅ is a carbonyl group;

Claims 11, 23-30, 32, 42-49, 51, 61-68, 70, 82-89, 91, 103, 106, 109, 112, 115 and 118 are withdrawn as being directed to non-elected subject matter pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.142(b). New claim 119 has been added which more specifically claims the elected subject matter. All of the pending claims now read on the elected species.

Applicants reserve the right pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.141 to pursue claims to the nonelected subject matter in this application in the event that a generic claim is found to be allowable. Further, upon the allowance of one or more linking claims, it is expected that the restriction requirement as to the linked inventions shall be withdrawn and any claims depending U.S. Application Serial No. 10/681,049 Response to Office Action mailed May 6, 2005

from or otherwise including all the limitations of the allowable linking claims will be entitled to examination in the instant application. MPEP §809.03. Applicants also reserve the right pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of the present application.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants earnestly believe that they are entitled to a letters patent, and respectfully solicit the Examiner to expedite prosecution of this patent application to issuance. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

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